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Sir:

SECOND INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

In accordance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. §1.56 in connection with the above-identified application, applicant respectfully directs the Examiner's attention to the following references which are listed also in a PTO-Form 1449 attached hereto:

- U.S. Patent No. 4,792,018 to Humble et al.; and
- U.S. Patent No. 4,964,053 to Humble.

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.98(a)(2), applicant encloses herewith a copy of each listed reference.

A first Office Action has not been received in connection with the subject application. Accordingly, pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.97(b)(3), applicant believes that the present Information Disclosure Statement is timely filed and no fee or certification is due or required. However, in the event that a first Office Action has been mailed but has not yet been received by applicant or connected with the application file in the undersigned Applicant: Eric L.L. Jacobs

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attorney's office, applicant hereby request, pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.97(c)(2), consideration of this Information Disclosure Statement, and authorization is hereby given to charge to Deposit Account No. 03-3125 ONE HUNDRED AND EIGHTY DOLLARS (\$180.00), which is the amount of the fee under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(p) for filing an Information Disclosure Statement pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.97(c)(2).

No fee is deemed necessary in connection with the filing of this Information Disclosure Statement. However, if any fee is required, authorization is hereby given to charge the amount of such fee to Deposit Account No. 03-3125.

If a telephone conference would be of assistance in advancing the prosecution of the subject application, applicant's undersigned attorneys invite the Examiner to telephone them at the number provided below.

Respectfully submitted,

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